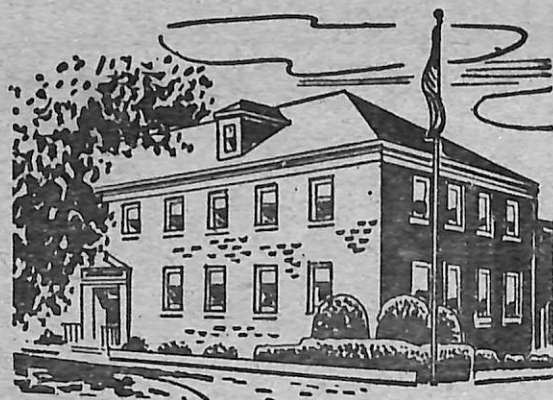


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Spaghetti Dinner Dance March 30

The St. Anthony Hall Building Fund Committee will hold a Spaghetti Dinner and Dance, Saturday, March 30, in their hall 646 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. Serving will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Dancing to the music of the King Tones will follow.

The highlight of the evening will be a cake auction. All cakes will be home baked by members of the St. Anthony Auxiliary.

The menu of the evening will consist of, spaghetti and meatballs, Italian salad, rolls and butter, dessert and coffee.

Tickets may be obtained at the door, from any committee member or by calling RE 4-7160. The committee includes Nicholas Depalo, Nicholas Maratea, Anthony Buoniconti, Philip Fini, Angelo Borgatti, Barbara Tessisini, Joanne Bonfitto, Angelina Grimaldi, Margaret Kalenkowitz and Esther Depalo.

Robinson Park PTA To Hear Prof. Lesniak

Mrs. David Skolnick, program chairman, announces that Professor Jennie Lesniak, of Westfield State College will be guest speaker at the Wednesday evening, March 27th, meeting at 7:45 of the Robinson Park Parent-Teachers Association.

Professor Lesniak's topic will be "Factors Which Promote Reading and What Parents Can Do About It". Miss Lesniak is a recognized authority on reading in the elementary school. She is professor of education at Westfield State College and has given many courses in reading to teachers and to adult education classes.

Parents whose children are having trouble with reading and those interested in the new approach to reading in the elementary schools should attend.

W.S. Co-op Bank Rates 21 in Assets

WEST SPRINGFIELD — The West Springfield Co-operative Bank ended the year 1962 in 21st position among the 168 co-operative banks in Massachusetts on the basis of total assets.

Earle C. Harvey, treasurer and executive officer of the bank, said the standing is revealed in the annual listing of co-operative banks by the publication United States Investor.

At the end of 1962, West Springfield Co-operative Bank's assets were \$15,215,258, a large gain over the \$14,352,000 of the previous year.

Mr. Harvey told United States Investor in his report as president of the Massachusetts Co-operative Bank League that "I firmly believe we can look to 1963 to prove to be another very good year for our co-operative banks."

High School Library Enriched



In the picture above Roland Reed, chairman of the Agawam Conservation Committee is presenting the book "Silent Spring" by Rachel Carson to David Gallano, chairman of the Agawam School Committee. The Conservation Committee is donating the best seller to the High School Library so that the children in the high school will have the opportunity to read the outstanding book on insecticides and pesticides and what the poisons that are in use today mean to our community.

Missionary To Address St. David's Youth Group

Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m., the Rev. Richard Clarke, Episcopal Missionary to the Athabaskan Indians in Alaska, will address members of the Youth group of St. David's Church. Rev. Clarke, a native of the

Springfield area and a graduate of Classical high school, received his Theological training at the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge. He was Ordained in St. Barnabas Church, Springfield and was immediately assigned to his Alaskan post.

Completes Training



PVT. JOSEPH T. VOISLOW

(AHTNC) — Army Pvt. Joseph T. Voislow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Voislow, 242 Elm St., Agawam, Mass., recently completed eight weeks of military police training at the U. S. Army Training Center, Fort Gordon, Ga. During the course, Voislow received instruction in such subjects as civil and military law, traffic control, map reading, prisoner-of-war control and self-defense. The 23-year-old soldier entered the Army in September 1962 and received basic training at Fort Dix, N. J. A 1958 graduate of Agawam High School, Voislow attended the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque. He is a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity.

Father Clarke lives in a log cabin, located as he says, "100 miles from nowhere, his mission being located near the lower Yukon River about 400 miles west of a point between Anchorage and Fairbanks. Typical diet of the area, according to the young Missionary, is fresh moose steaks, fish and canned goods and instead of the telephone, communications are made by short wave radio. Father Clarke will show colored slides of his Mission station and of the interesting aspects of

(Continued on Page 7)

Security Instrument Opens Local Office

The Security Instrument Corp. and the Security Safety Corp. have recently opened their Sales and Executive Office at 517 Springfield St., Feeding Hills, Mass.

The new office was opened by the five year old firm that manufactures, sells and installs Fire Alarm Systems and Radar Burglar Alarms for homes, businesses and industries.

Formerly both the plant and the office were located at 485 Central St., Springfield. The plant has remained at this location. Currently this firm is expanding its sales territory for Fire Alarm Systems on a nation wide basis.

Their Burglar Alarm Systems are being used in many locations throughout Western Massachusetts and Westover Air Force Base.

Paul E. Zimmerman Jr. and Frank S. Moley head these two fast growing corporations and they expect that within the year their Security products will protect many more homes, commercial enterprises, and institutions throughout the area.

Boy Scouts Schedule Philmont Trek June 29

Ralph Fowler of Springfield, chairman of the Philmont Committee for the Pioneer Valley Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, announced today plans for the 1963 Philmont Trek.

Leadership for the trip to date includes Henry Palmer, Line Commissioner for the Nipmuck District and Prescott Dalbeck, District Scout Executive.

Bears in the chuck box . . . snowball fights in July . . . horseback trips through the canyons . . . rugged mountain climbing to reach an 11,000 peak — well above the clouds . . . deer grazing by the tent upon your awakening in the morning . . . campfire stunts with the fellows from Austria and from Alabama . . . pack trips into the hills with a string of burros . . . panning for gold in an icy mountain stream.

Yes sir, you can have a date with adventure and history come this June, if you are 14 or older, Senior or an Explorer Scout, join the Philmont trek and travel via chartered bus to "out where the West begins" Cimarron, New Mexico, then advance in adventure-land in the foot hills of the Rockies . . . 127,000 acres of western wilderness to see with mule pack-trains, on horseback and afoot.

This Trek to see America is scheduled for June 29 and will include a training encampment at the Moses Scout Reservation (Continued on Page 6)

Appointed Regional BU Drive Chairman



GERALDINE SCHILLING

Miss Geraldine Schilling of Cooper Street, Agawam, has been appointed regional chairman of the greater Springfield area for Boston University's sixth annual alumni Giving Program, according to Herbert I. Freeman of Newton Center, national chairman of the five-month fund campaign.

Miss Schilling graduated in 1956 from the School of Fine and Applied Arts and received her masters degree from the School of Education a year later.

Team captains appointed for the area are: Robert Berry, Parker Street, and Ralph Russomando, Pennsylvania Ave., both of Springfield; Mrs. Knud Helsing, Belleclair Ave., Longmeadow; Roy A. Paine, Herman St., Allan Andrews, Colony Rd., John C. Kiefer, Jr., Dorwin Dr., Mrs. Russell T. Bird, Cass Ave., and Rev. Earl D. Haywood, Dorwin Dr., all of West Springfield.

Elected Class Section Manager

Robert R. Fini, a major in Mechanical Design Engineering Technology at Wentworth Institute, has been elected to class section office athletic manager for the 1963 academic year, according to Dr. H. Russell Beatty, president. Fini, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore R. Fini, of 17 Wilbert Terrace.

UNICO To Sponsor Spaghetti-Meatball Supper On April 24

The Agawam Chapter of UNICO National, one of the local service organizations, is sponsoring a Spaghetti and Meatball Supper on April 24 at the South Street Elementary School. The adult ticket is only \$1.25 — children 75c. Everyone is invited to enjoy a real Italian-style spaghetti meal!

This affair is for the benefit of the Welfare and Scholarship fund — one of the many services that the Agawam Chapter is proudly engaged in.

The Spaghetti Supper has been made possible by two hard-working committees headed by Chairmen Thomas Cascio and Nicholas Zucco, both of whom are excellent cooks.

Members of the committee headed by Nicholas Zucco are as follows: Benjamin Deliso, Joseph Pisano, Vincent Spagnolo, Francis Rosso and Lee Zanotti.

Members of the committee headed by Thomas Cascio are: Alphonse Alfano, Joseph Cancelliere, Santo Cannarella, Charles Deliso, Joseph Ferrari, Gino Rossi and Richard Sardella.

Tickets may be obtained by contacting any of the above mentioned committee members or by contacting Albert Christopher, ticket chairman.

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CHURCH NEWS

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin T. Lockhart,
Pastor

Mrs. Frank Merchant,
Organist - Choir Director
Mrs. Barbara Briggs,
Church Secretary

Thursday: 1:30 p.m. Ella Bond Circle meet at home of Jennette Bordurtha, Elm Street; 6:30 p.m. Choralier choir rehearse at church; 8 p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at church; 8 p.m. Home Study Lenten meetings will be held at homes of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Edwards, 49 Woodside Drive and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Manhart, 271 Shoemaker Lane. Saturday: 3:30 p.m. Junior Bell choir rehearse at church.

Sunday: 9 and 11:30 a.m. Two Morning Worship Services . . . Rev. Lockhart will preach both services . . . Celestial choir sing first service . . . Senior choir sing second service; 10 a.m. Church School for all; 5 p.m. Pastor's Class meet in church study; All young people interested in being Baptized at Easter are invited to attend his class; 6 p.m. Junior High BYF meet at church; 6 p.m. Senior BYF meet at church.

Monday: 6:45 a.m. Men's Christians Growth Group meet at church, John Magovern, host. 8 p.m. Church Nominating Committee met at church.

Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Trading Post open; 3:30 p.m. Melody choir rehearse at church; 7 p.m. ABC Bell Ringers rehearse at church; 8 p.m. Home Study Lenten meetings will be held at homes of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith, 143 Florida Drive and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Briggs, 943 Main Street.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church and Second Sts. West Springfield, Massachusetts
Sunday Services: 9:45 a.m. Bible School with classes for all ages. 11:00 a.m., Morning Worship; 7:00 p.m., Evening Service. Wednesday: 7:30 p.m., Mid-week service for prayer and Bible Study.

Whist Parties are held each Wednesday and Saturday night at 8:00 P.M. at the YWCA on Howard Street, Springfield. High and low score prizes and door prizes will be awarded.

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COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Frank E. Dunn,
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Mrs. John Cesan, Secretary
Mrs. John MacPherson
Mrs. Harry Prior,
Music Directors

Thursday — 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at home of Mrs. John MacPherson.

Saturday — Ham Supper at Granger School.

Sunday — 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship and Communion Service in Granger School auditorium . . . Sunday School classes in session Nursery through Grade 7; 6:30 p.m. CCYO meeting at home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wiley, Southwick Street.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Kenneth L. Palmer, Minister
Mrs. Andrew G. Toussaint,
Minister of Music

Friday—7:30 p.m. Adult choir rehearsal; 8 p.m. Merriweds Square Dance.

Saturday — 8:45 a.m. Intermediate choir rehearsal; 9:45 a.m. Junior choir rehearsal.

Sunday—9 a.m. Church School Nursery-Grade 6; 10 a.m. Church School Grades 7-12; 11 a.m. Church School Nursery-Grade 6 . . . 9 and 11 a.m. Church At Morning Worship . . . Sermon by the Rev. Ray Haas, former minister of the West Suffield Congregational Church; 5 p.m. Pastor's Preparatory Class; 6 p.m. p.m. Senior Pilgrim Fellowship.

Tuesday — 6:30 p.m. Senior High choir rehearsal; 8 p.m. Social Action Committee meeting.

Wednesday — 6:30 p.m. Merriweds Supper Meeting.

LAY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Thursday — 7 p.m. Sea Scouts at church.

Friday — 3 p.m. Junior choir rehearsal at church; 6:15 p.m. Bowling teams at West Side Alleys.

Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Morning Worship with Mr. Ronald Jackson as guest speaker; 6:30 p.m. Senior MYF meeting at church.

Monday — 3 p.m. Junior MYF meeting at church.

Tuesday — 7:30 p.m. Fourth Quarterly Conference at church.

Wednesday — 7 p.m. Senior choir rehearsal at home of Mrs. Hanna Binns, Kensington Street.

ST. DAVID'S CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

Thursday — 7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop #79 meet at parish hall;

Community Church Public Supper Sat.

The Community Church in Feeding Hills, which was instituted last Fall, will have its first public supper on Saturday, March 23rd at the Granger School with continuous servings from 5:30 to 7 P.M.

Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, baked beans, waldorf salad, pickles, rolls, apple kuchen and coffee, tea or milk will constitute the menu. For reservations calls may be made to Mrs. Shirley Taylor at RE 7-5248 or Mrs. Margaret Bowden at ST 8-0105.

The supper is under the direction of the Friendly Circle, the women's organization of the Church. The officers of the Circle are: Mrs. Ellen Nichols, President; Mrs. Betty Anne Cesan, Vice-President; Mrs. Marian Haubenreiser, Treasurer and Mrs. Margaret Bowden, Secretary.

The men and the young people of the Church will conduct a bottle drive on Saturday, March 30 from 9 to 12 noon and from 1 to 4 P.M. Much of the territory of the town will be covered and it is hoped the response on the part of the town's people will be a generous one.

At last Sunday's service copies of the proposed Constitution and by-laws were distributed to the supporters of the Church. These are to be acted up in the near future and steps are to be taken to incorporate the organization. As soon as a charter is received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts arrangements will be made to have a Charter member Sunday. At that time members will be received for the first time into the Community Church.

Election of officers and Boards and Committees will take place as soon as the membership of the Church is established. The fiscal year of the new Church will be from May 1 to April 30.

The Community Church is non-denominational and its prime purpose is to provide spiritual and material services to all the people of the community in which it is located. Its doors will be open to everyone regardless of one's faith or creed.

7:30 p.m. Altar Guild meeting.

Friday — 3:15 p.m. Junior choir practice.

Sunday — 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; 7 p.m. Evening Prayer and Youth Fellowship meeting.

Monday—3:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop #232 meet at parish hall; 8 p.m. Activities Club meeting.

Tuesday — 3:30 p.m. Brownie Scouts meeting at parish hall; 7 p.m. Acolyt Guild meeting.

Wednesday — 7:30 p.m. Senior choir practice.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Ronald J. Tamblin, Minister
Mrs. Frederick Nardi, Organist
Mrs. David Meyer, Jr.,
Cherub Choir Director

Thursday—7 p.m. Senior choir rehearsal at church.

Saturday — 9:30 a.m. Junior choir rehearsal at church; 10:30 a.m. Cherub choir rehearsal at church.

Sunday — 10 a.m. Worship Service! 10 a.m. Sunday School in session; 5-6:30 p.m. Junior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting; 6:30 p.m. Senior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting.

F.H. Church Fellowship To Hear Westover Speaker

The Feeding Hills Congregational Church Pilgrim Fellowship has invited 2nd Lt. Walter A. Weiss, Jr., of the Westover Air Force Base to speak this Sunday evening, March 24, at its meeting starting at 6:30 P.M. on the Social Halls of the Church.

Lt. Weiss, Jr., is Deputy Director of Administrative Services at Westover and has chosen the subject entitled "Mission of the Strategic Air Command". His talk will be illustrated by color slides to be followed by a question period.

Fellowship president, Susan Bates assisted by Gail Bava, William Gowdy, Robert Swanson, and Susan Hamar will open the meeting with a worship service.

Invitations have been sent to Pilgrim Fellowships in local Churches to attend the meeting and to enjoy a very interesting and timely talk. The Defense of our great country affects the lives of everyone, young and old. Lt. Weiss, Jr., will explain the vital part in the defense system that is played by the Strategic Air Command.

A large attendance is expected.

Meditation Phone 781-0245 Anytime

Daily meditations presented over the telephone are a new contribution to the spiritual life of the community launched last week by Grace Lutheran Church, Westfield and Woodmont Sts. West Springfield.

The Grace Lutheran Church "Meditation Phone", as it is called, can be reached any time day or night by dialing 781-0245. By recording, the Rev. Donald F. Jung, the Church's pastor, greets you and introduces the two and one-half minute meditation. The devotions are narrated by Nelson Leigh, the "Pastor Martin" of the well-known television program, "This is the Life," produced by the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and viewed in our area over two channels each Sunday morning. Mr. Leigh has also acted the part of Christ in several widely screened religious movies.

The meditation phone is planned to serve particularly the people who are confined to their homes and are not able to regularly attend public services in the churches. It also provides anyone guidance for brief Christ-centered devotions at the beginning or end of each day, or at any convenient time.

Th same Portals of Prayer used on the meditation phone, are broadcast daily over more than 600 radio and television stations throughout the United States, Canada, and the Far East. They are produced by the church's Radio Station KFUO, in St. Louis, Mo. They are prepared in a manner both attractive to the church-goer, and appreciated by the non-church member.

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Rev. Richard Farrell, C.P.S., assistant at Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills, today released the following appointments to the Sacred Heart Athletic Association: Jack Scales, Daniel Maslenka and James Gregor, board of consultants; Mike Romanko, representative and in charge of senior boys; Harold Gaffney, chairman of the junior league, comprising two divisions, boys age 8 through 12 years and Joseph Armalar, umpire-in-chief of the junior league.

Sponsors are being sought to provide boys with official uniforms. Father Farrell said, "This is the fifth year that Sacred Heart Church has sponsored a youth athletic program and the success of the league in the past seems to warrant this advancement". Businessmen of Agawam or townspeople wishing to become a sponsor may have further information by contacting Father Farrell or any of the above members.

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"NATIONAL WILDLIFE WEEK"

This newspaper is pleased to salute a "week" which actually promotes the interests of the general public — National Wildlife Week, March 17-23, 1963.

Theme of the 1963 observance is "Chemical Pesticides are POISON—Handle with Care," most timely considering the recent release of Rachel Carson's book, "Silent Spring," and the increasing variety of deadly chemical poisons for controlling insects, rodents and other pests on the shelves of our neighborhood stores.

It is altogether too easy to let the relatively uncontrolled distribution and use of these poisons go unchecked. Steps must be taken to protect the public and the nation's heritage of abundant fish and wildlife—from quick or slow death at the hands of some users of chemicals who seem to have dismissed songbirds and fish as unnecessary and unworthy of consideration in massive spraying campaigns.

Commercial applicators of these poisons should be licensed, and their applications to carry out mass spray programs should be cleared by representatives of all state agencies concerned, including the game and fish department, before clearance is given. Education of the public—and this National Wildlife Federation-sponsored Wildlife Week is a start—must continue, and mis-use of pesticides must be discontinued.

Agawam National Guard Bulletin

The recent reorganization of the Massachusetts National Guard has increased the availability of openings in the local Agawam Unit, Company "B". Paralleling this increase in manpower is the increase need for N.C.O.'s. The addition of a ground surveillance Squad, a short range Radar Unit, has created positions for men interested in this field. Consequently, anyone enlisting now can look forward to rapid advancement.

By enlisting before 18 1/2 years, an individual need only serve three years of active guard duty after completing six months training at any Army Center. If over 18 1/2, the active guard requirement is five and half years in view of the obligation when drafted, namely two years of Army Service and two years of active reserved duty, the advantages of the guard way is magnified by the fact that the active service obligation is fulfilled at home with friends and neighbors without interruption to civilian careers.

A high school student may enlist before 18 1/2 years, serve six months of Army duty, then complete his three years obligation while attending college. This offers the advantages of earning money to help defray college expenses while training, allowing more time to apply to various schools, and after college graduation, embarking upon his civilian career completely free of service obligation.

An individual may take advantage of many and various courses offered, may attend the Massachusetts Military Academy to become an officer, or may even earn an appointment to West Point. Various subjects are taught at drills such as the use

of Firearms, First Aid, Hygiene, Civil Defense, Communist Insurgency Activities, etc., provide much knowledge useful in civilian life.

Company "B" in Agawam has much to offer young men faced with the problem of fulfilling their military obligation. Anyone interested is invited to visit the Agawam Armory on Maynard Street, any Monday evening or man call Sergeant Thibodeau at RE 3-3032.

Round The Town



By Ann Nael
phone ST 8-8996

Mrs. Peter T. Sarant of 69 Meadowbrook Road, Alpha Gamma Delta, was elected president of the Greater Springfield Panhellenic Alumnae Assn., at the recent meeting held in the home of Mrs. Malcolm Parkhurst, Burr Road, Springfield. The installation will take place at a luncheon meeting in the Longmeadow Country Club on Saturday, April 6.

Mr. and Mrs. David Broomfield of 119 Parker Street, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Sandra Jean, who weighed in at five pounds, eleven ounces on March 13. The couple have another daughter, Rochelle, six years old.

Mrs. Irene Kittler of Silver Street, had as her guest, Mrs. Edythe Chiba of North Westfield Street, at the Hotel Kimball to sit on a panel to judge two pilot films from Hollywood, Calif. The films will be adapted to TV programs if the response of the panelist in the picked cities throughout the country is favorable.

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Democratic Panelist



Shown above is the panel of distinguish Democrats from all corners of the state of Massachusetts who met at the Town Hall of Agawam with Democratic Town Committee chairman and members from the cities and towns of Western Massachusetts. From left to right are: Andrew Gallano, Peabody coordinator for Western Massachusetts; Professor James Burns, Williamstown; Attorney Robert Couchon, presiding officer representing the Democratic State Committee; Mayor Laurie Cormier of Leominster; District Attorney William T. Buckley of Worcester; and Mrs. Helen Mitchell of Fall River, State Committee Women.

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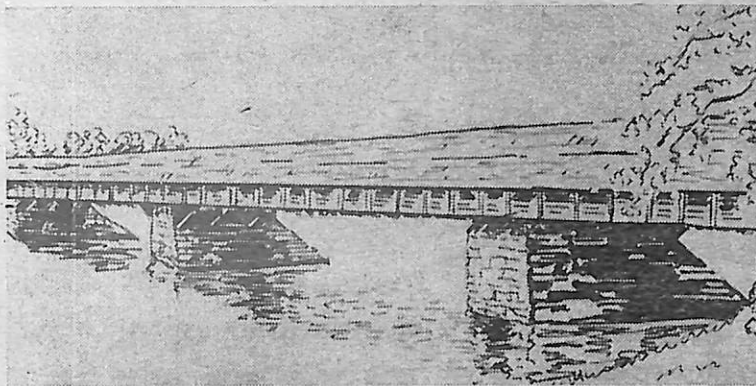
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THE OLD TOLL BRIDGE



By Edith LaFrancis

The first bridge in this area over a stream of any size was the covered Agawam Bridge. The second was built over the Chicopee River in 1782. Morley's toll bridge over the Agawam was authorized February 10, 1803. In the same month a company was incorporated as proprietors of a bridge over the Connecticut between Springfield and West Springfield. John Hooker, George Bliss, Joseph Williams, Samuel Fowler, Jonathan Dwight, Thomas Dwight, Justin Ely and associates were to build the bridge and charge tolls fixed by law as follows:—foot passengers, 3 cents; horse and rider, 7 cents; horse and sleigh, 10 cents; horse and chaise, chair or sulky, 16 cents; chariot, phaeton or other four-wheeled carriages for passengers, 33 cents; curicle, 25 cents; neat cattle, 3 cents; sheep or swine, 1 cent.

The bridge was 1,234 feet long, with 6 arches, supported by 2 abutments and 5 piers. Above it were built two guard piers to serve as ice-breakers. No reliable description of its appearance can be found but it is said to have been painted red and may have been an open bridge. A famous structure in its time.

It was opened to traffic on October 30, 1805, the ceremony including a procession, the firing of guns, and a sermon by Rev. Joseph Lathrop.

It lasted nine years and, on July 19th, 1814, it collapsed and fell into the river. Local residents claimed it had been weakened by the traffic of heavy army wagons in 1812. However, the Hartford Bridge, built in 1810, met the same fate and the cause was said to be that it was built of green timber and rotted out.

In January, 1815, the General Court passed an act authorizing the company to raise a fund of \$20,000 by lottery and on October 1, 1816 a new bridge was completed on the site of the first one and evidently using the old piers and abutments. Total cost about \$22,000.

In 1818 this second bridge was carried away by high water, only the abutments and 2 piers on the west side surviving.

The third bridge was completed in 1820 and remained in use for over 100 years. It was repaired many times and about 1878 a sidewalk was built on the south side.

SOCIAL SECURITY



Relying on a well-meaning neighbor's advice about social security benefits may prove to be costly if the neighbor is unaware of the most recent amendments to the social security law.

Daniel J. Murphy, Jr., social security district manager in Springfield, cited the case of an 81-year-old Massachusetts farmer, William Washburn. The informant Mr. Washburn got from a friend cost him several thousand dollars. He did not apply for his social security benefits until the fall of 1962, but he could have begun receiving monthly social security checks in April, 1956, Mr. Murphy said. Since benefits may be paid for no more than 12 months back, the elderly rancher lost 5 years of payments.

The district manager pointed out that several hundred proposed changes to the social security law are introduced into Congress each session. While only a small number of these proposals become law, those that do may materially affect benefit rights. Such things as the amount of covered work a person needs to be eligible for benefits (less now than it used to be) or the amount of money a person can earn while continuing to collect some benefits (more now than it used to be) are affected by the amendments.

Neighbors may try to save a person a trip to the local social security office by giving advice on retirement benefits, disability payments or cash benefits to surviving widows and children of a deceased wage earner, but the only way to make absolutely sure that the information is up-to-date is to call or visit the office, Mr. Murphy said.

Many hundreds of dollars have been lost by persons unaware that those 72 years of age or older can earn as much money as they wish and still draw all of their social security monthly checks.

Surveys have also shown that very few persons are aware that social security disability benefits may be paid to a man or woman at any age with sufficient social security coverage provided that they are unable, because of their illness or disability, to do any substantial work.

Mr. Murphy urged all residents not to rely on advice that may have become outdated through legislative changes. The only sure way, he said, is to write, telephone, or visit the district office at 891 State St.

Waste Collections

ROUTE 5

Friday, Mar. 22 — Alexander Ave., Barry, Belmont Ave., Bristol Dr., Carol Ave., Churchill Ave., Hamilton Dr., New York Ave., North St. Ext., North West, North Westfield, Overlook Dr., Parkview Dr., Pine, Richmond Ave., Roosevelt Ave., South West, South Westfield, Southwick, Sunset Ter. and Thalia Drive.

ROUTE 6

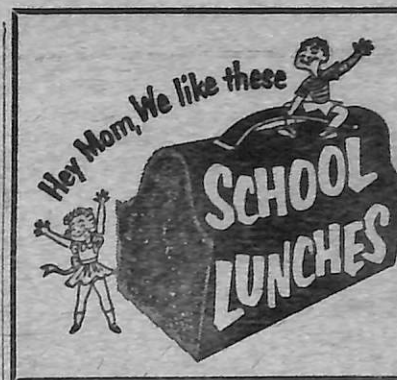
Monday, Mar. 25 — Adams, Cosgrove, DePalma, Doane Ave., Edgewater Rd., Franklin St. Ext., Garden, Memorial Dr., Mountainview, Oxford, Phil, Poplar, Porter Dr., Ridge Ave., Shoemaker Ln., Silver, Silver Lake Dr., South, Suffield and Vadrnais St.

ROUTE 7

Tuesday, Mar. 26 — Althea Dr., Anthony, Belle, Centre, Clematis Dr., Colonial Ave., Cooper, Elsie, Fairview, Federal Ave., Federal, Federal St. Ext., Harvey Johnson Dr., Karen Dr., Ley, Poinsetta, Potomac Pl., Prine Ln., Reed, Samuel, Senator Ave., Stanley Pl., Valentine, Valentine St. Ext., Vernon, Virginia, Washington, Westford Cir. and Woodside Dr.

ROUTE 8

Wednesday, Mar. 27 — Birchill, Rd., Carr Ave., Elm, Emerson, Haskell, Henshaw Ave., Kanawa Ave., Lealand Ave., Main, Mardale Ave., Nile Ave., Parker, Perry Ln., Raymond Cir., Riverside Ave., Riverview Ave., Ruskin Ave., South Park Ter., Stewart Ln., Sunnyslope Ave., Thirlmere Ave., Veranda Ave., Woodcliffe



March 25

through

March 29

SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Veal cutlets w/creole sauce, mashed potato, buttered carrots, rye bread-butter, chocolate nut cookies, milk.

Tuesday: Baked sausage, sweet potato, applesauce, bread-butter, chocolate cake w/mocha icing, milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti, buttered green beans, Italian-roll w/butter, pears, milk.

Thursday: Hamburg on roll, garden salad, potato chips, peanut butter honey sandwiches, butter cake w/plum topping, whipped cream, milk.

Friday: Tuna salad sandwich, fresh tomato slices, country style pickles, peanut butter honey sandwich, deep dish apple pie with cheese wedge, milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, hamburger and gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered carrots, white cake, bread-butter, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, chicken noodle soup, turkey salad in grinder rolls, potato chips, green beans, peanut butter cookies, milk.

Wednesday: Fish sticks, sweet potatoes, corn, chocolate cake, bread-butter, milk.

Thursday: Juice, spaghetti with meat sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, pears, butter cookies, Bread-butter, milk.

Friday: Grilled cheese sandwiches, stewed tomatoes, tossed salad, butter cake w/chocolate sauce, milk.

DANAHY

Monday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, cheese wedge, rye bread - butter, pineapple chunks, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, frank-furt and roll w/mustard, relish, spinach, chocolate cake w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Mashed potato, creamed tuna fish, peas-carrots, hot biscuits w/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Thursday: Juice, chicken rice soup, sliced meat sandwich, celery-carrot sticks, apple square w/cheese wedge, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, toasted cheese sandwich, oven fried potatoes, tossed salad, cake square, milk.

GRANGER

Monday: Juice, grilled frank-furt on buttered bun, potato chips, relish, mustard, buttered green beans, pumpkin pie, milk.

Tuesday: Oven fried chicken, parsley potato, beets, bread-butter, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, peanut butter sandwich, plums, milk.

Thursday: Juice, grilled hamburger on buttered roll, potato chips, relish, mustard, vegetables, applesauce cake, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna fish sail boat, wax beans, apple crisp, milk.

PEIRCE

Monday: Orange juice, meat ball grinders, buttered green

Ave. and Wright St.

ROUTE 9

Thursday, Mar. 28 — Albert, Alhambra Cir., Barney, Central, Corey, Edith Ave., Edward, Elbert Rd., Ellison Ave., Frank, Hunt, James Ave., John, Joseph, Kirkland, Liberty Ave., Maple Ave., Meadow, Meadow Ave., Monroe, Pomeroy, River Rd., School, Seymour Ave., Sterling Rd., Sunrise Ter., Willard Ave. and Wyman Ave.

beans, cheese fingers, peaches-pears, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg gravy on whipped potatoes, buttered spinach, celery sticks, peanut butter-jelly sandwich, cocoanut cream pudding, milk.

Wednesday: Vegetable - noodle soup, tuna salad sandwich, carrot stix, orange sections, peanut butter cookies, milk.

Thursday: Citrus fruit juice, turkey pie w/potato puff topping, buttered peas, cranberry sauce, bread-butter, chocolate cake w/mocha icing, milk.

Friday: Oven fried fish sticks, kernel corn, Harvard cole slaw, peanut butter sandwich, raisin pinwheels, milk.

PHELPS

Monday: Baked macaroni with hamburger, tomato, cheese sauce, Boston lettuce salad w/spinach greens, bread-butter, apricots, milk.

Tuesday: Citrus juice, grilled hamburger on buttered bun, onion slices, relish, green beans, fresh pear, milk.

Wednesday: Boston baked beans, fish cakes, cabbage-carrot salad, bread-butter, peaches, milk.

Thursday: Baked New Hampshire sausage, baked sweet potato, applesauce, vanilla pudding with fruit, milk.

Friday: New England clam chowder, toasted Vermont cheese sandwich, Cape Cod cranberry sauce, Massachusetts apple, milk.

ROBINSON

Monday: Jineapple juice, frank-furt in buttered roll, mustard-relish, potato chips, buttered corn, cheese wedge, banana cake, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, turkey pie w/vegetables, cranberry sauce, bread-butter, applesauce, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Wednesday: Tomato soup, celery-carrot sticks, egg salad or peanut butter sandwiches, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, cabbage salad, rye bread-butter, peanut butter sandwiches, peaches, milk.

Friday: Citrus juice, grilled cheese sandwich, or peanut butter sandwich, tossed green salad w/spinach greens, potato chips, apple pie, milk.

SOUTH

Monday: Boston baked beans, Yankee frankfurter, Boston brown bread-butter, Cape Cod cranberry cole slaw w/New Hampshire dressing, apple Betty w/Connecticut nutmeg sauce, milk.

Tuesday: Baked macaroni with hamburger, tomato sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, jelly, butter on rye bread, French apple square, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus juice, creamed tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich, fresh pear, cookies, milk.

Thursday: Roast Vermont turkey w/gravy, whipped Maine potatoes, buttered Connecticut onions, Cape Cod cranberry jelly, buttered rolls, Indian pudding w/topping, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, baked macaroni w/cheese, cooked eggs, fruit slaw salad, rolled wheat muffins-butter, pineapple chunks, milk.

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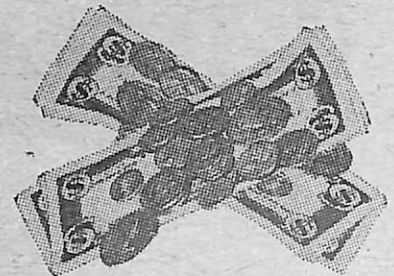
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Judy Williams Appointed To 'Y' Day Camp Staff

Zaven K. Vorperian, director of the Agawam Community YMCA Day Camp announced the appointment of Miss Judy Williams to the 1963 Day Camp Staff. Miss Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williams of 32 Kensington Street, is a Senior at Agawam High School and has been a YMCA Day Camp Staff member for the past four years. She was the Pioneer Valley Girl Scout Representative at the National Round-up held in Button Bay Vermont last summer. Miss Williams is a member of Prima Tri-Hi-Y as is currently serving as president.

Her capacity in the YMCA Day Camp this summer will be directing the girls portion of the newly formed Senior Unit Program. Senior Unit girls will have their own site on the Day Camp grounds and will organize and plan their own programs with emphasize on outdoor living. Swimming, one of the highlights of the YMCA Day Camp Program will be enjoyed twice daily by Senior Unit girls with classes in the morning and a recreational swim in the afternoon.

Over the past four years Miss Williams has held various leadership positions in the summer Day Camp Program including the Nature Program and the Arts and Crafts Program. These activities and her scouting background will bring an all around program experience to the Senior Unit.

The Agawam Community YMCA Day Camp will open its sixth season on Monday, July 8th.

Boy Scouts . . .

(Continued from Page 1)

prior to embarking for the West and the Scout owned and operated Philmont Ranch — a ranch 1/3 the size of the state of Rhode Island. We will stop each evening at an Armed Forces installation thus assuring a good night's rest and the best of food. On the way out and back ample time to see the great sights of America will be taken.

Thirty-six young men and four leaders made the "thrill of a lifetime" trip to the 127,000 acre operating ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico. Several of the boys indicated a desire to make the trip again.

Any registered Scout or Explorer who will reach his fourteenth birthday by September 1, 1963 may attend.

The Philmont Committee is holding a Philmont Rally at the

Receives Soldier Of Month Award

Intra-company competition is continuing to flourish in Co. B with the innovation of the Soldier of Month award. Open to all members ranked Corporal or less, once a month the Platoon Sergeants pick a Guardsman for this award based on the following factors: personal appearance, military bearing, class participation and attentiveness, attendance at drills, and ability. An award of five dollars is donated by the Co. for the Soldier of the Month. The twelve monthly choices will compete at year end for the honor of Soldier of the Year. This individual will be awarded a \$25 prize and have



JERRY R. SIBILIA

his name inscribed on a plaque which will be displayed permanently at the Armory. The Soldier of the Year awards have been donated by the American Legion Post 195 in Agawam.

The January Soldier of the Month was Pfc Jerry R. Sibilia, who has recently returned from six months of active duty. A native of Springfield, he attended Classical High School where he played baseball and football. He now makes his home in Agawam with his wife and infant son. He is an excellent accordionist and plays in a local band. As a relatively new member of the National Guard, he has shown his proficiency early. Congratulations.

Agawam Congregational Church, Main St., 7:30 p.m. March 28, Color slides and 16mm film of the Philmont Trip will be shown, a talk will be given about the ranch and the trip that we are planning.

Scouts, Explorers, Leaders and Parents are all invited. They need not be registered for the trip to attend this meeting.

SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By Bill Chiba

In the column last week we printed that the Carling Brewery donated \$2500 to the Middlesex County League to help in the purchase of a tract of land. We wish to retract the statement. Our source of information was in error in regards to the donation from Carlings.

SAFETY CLASS

Richard Schuhlen announces that a gun safety class will be held at the MacArthur Reserve Center, East Street, Chicopee Falls, March 21st. Bill Maitland, conservation officer, will do the instructing with the assistance of Mr. Schuhlen. Youngsters looking forward to hunting this fall will have to take a safety course before they can procure a hunting license.

Dick Schuhlen has been appointed again to the fish committee of the Agawam Sportsmen Club. Dick announces that the preseason for fishing for trout at the club pond will commence on April 6th and run the 7th, 13th and 14th. The hours for fishing will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Over 250 trout will be stocked in the pond April 5th. Assisting Dick on the committee are Oscar Menard, Everett Priest, Ed Gleason, Fred Vedani, Frank Hardini and John Marco.

New Hampshire reports that the bear kill reached a new high in 1962. One hundred male bear were taken and 84 females. Three were unclassified as to sex. Residents accounted for 119 bear and nonresidents for 62. Four were killed by cars, one was taken by an unidentified hunter. Another was found dead, trapped by a rear paw in a tree crevice. It is interesting to note that 31 bear were taken from December 1-10, since the December kill over the past six years has averaged only 4. This was primarily due to the fact that bear were especially active later in the season than usual.

The fishing season in Massachusetts will start with the ponds only opening Saturday, April 20th, and streams will open the next Saturday, April 27th. The late openings will benefit the fishermen this year with the amount of snow that is on the ground now. Vermont and New Hampshire have experienced a large accumulation of snow this winter, and no sign of thawing has shown to date. This means that the streams will be running high late in the month of April. If the winters persist to be as violent as this last one the Division will be holding another public hearing in the future to set the fishing opening dates later in the spring. Might not be a bad idea.

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TEEN'S SQUARE CORNER

By Betty Dotson

The Manchester Jr. S/D Club is graduating another class on Friday. Lee Pine, their regular caller, will lead the event at Verplanck School, Manchester, Conn. At the other end of this area map, the Mohawk Twirlers, with Ted Cromack, will dance at Fellowship Hall, Shelburne Center. Geographically in between, Red's Rascals, Red McCain's group will hoe-down at Granby Grade School, Granby, Mass. In addition, talented teenager Jack O'Leary is calling for the Rockin' Squares in Enfield.

The Banner Dance, with busy Buzz Chapman, is coming up this Saturday at Leeds School, Leeds, Mass. This event is always a big one, and clubs drive in droves to compete for this coveted banner. Winning points are derived by the number of club members attending multiplied by the miles travelled; so to make the figuring easier, please return your mileage charts to Fran Cignoli as soon as possible.

Clay Poitras, newest teen caller in the area, a boy we predict has a terrific future, will be star caller for the Foot Stompers at their bi-monthly dance on Saturday at Mountainview School, E. Longmeadow. Some of the girls tell us he is one caller that they don't mind missing a set or so for, because they just like to look and listen when he's at the mike. If you come early, you'll get in

some round dance lessons with Walt & Vie Benoit.

The West Side Whirlers' party was most successful at Grange Hall West. Spfld., thanks to the Fairview Promenaders of Fairview; the Dudes 'n Duds, Springfield; Cherokee Teens, Springfield; Whirl-a-ways, E. Longmeadow, and a bus full of Foot Stompers that Phil Brideau brought along from E. Longmeadow. Sharing the caller's spot light with ever popular Vic Musante were Ralph Clark, Cherokee Teen leader, and Clay Poitras.

Next week is EDSARDA, the big event of the year. — See you all there, and have fun, keep dancing!

Hospitality Hints

By Old Mr. Boston

Around this time of year, party talk centers around one well-worn subject — income taxes.

The subject is rarely conducive to good humor, but when it does

come up, your guests might perk up with a round of Income Tax Cocktails.

The recipe calls for:
1/4 oz. Dry Vermouth
1/4 oz. Sweet Vermouth
1 oz. Old Mr. Boston Dry Gin
1 dash bitters
Juice of 1/4 orange

Shake well with cracked ice and strain into 3 oz. cocktail glass.

While you're sipping your drinks, you might remind your guests that last year, checks on tax returns by Bureau of Internal Revenue workers saved Americans some \$70 million in overpaid taxes.

Careless calculations and illegible figures are responsible for almost all errors.

The federal government spends about 1/2¢ per return to process income taxes. Help keep that figure (and your taxes) down by taking meticulous care with your return. Add and write carefully, or — if an accountant handles your financial matters — make sure he has all the papers, records, bills, cancelled checks and statements he needs.

Receive Music Awards



The John Philip Sousa Band Award was presented to Andrew Raguskus for the senior with the

highest point total, including attendance merits and playing ability points for four years of band membership. Receiving Musician-ship three stripe chevrons, pictured above, left to right, are Robert Swanson, Craig Pineo, Andrew Raguskus, band president and Albert Bagetta.

Two stripe chevrons were awarded Drinda Lund, with 2 stars; Richard Whitman, with 2 stars; Theodore Affleck, band treasurer; John Hallock, with one star; Joseph Catania and Preston Wallace.

One stripe chevron awarded to John Kallipolites, with one star; Jane O'Reilly, with one star; Ernest Cassanelli, Thomas O'Rourke, Bruce Jozefiak, David Carpenter, and David Wade.

Receiving other officer chevrons were Barbara Bishop, secretary for two years and John Burns, vice-president.

Last June top ten awards were received by Woody Brown, Sandra Atwater, Irene Kelly and Judy Moore.

Award for year total are as follows: Irene Kelly, David Wade, Donald Tidwell, Gail Snow, 37 points each; Richard Whitman, 36; Drinda Lund, Judith Lund, Judith Moore, George Liptak, 35 points each.

Tie for the 10th place with 34 points each are: Albert Bagetta, Barbara Bishop, Sandra Atwater, Lorilee Kistner, Robert Guidetti and David Carpenter.



... get acquainted roller skate

Some of the skaters at the Riverside Rollaway threw a surprise birthday party Tuesday night for the rink professional, Peter Gullo, who arrived at his 7th birthday. The birthday cake, donated by Raffi Barile, was enjoyed by the large group of skaters present.

Poor Peter, besides having to buy everyone coffee at his own birthday party, wound up receiving the usual birthday spanking — and in his case, that was quite a few slaps.

The mothers in the Tuesday morning Mothers Club are all enjoying themselves during their class. Coffee and donuts are served during their weekly two hour session on the roller skates. Even with their morning snack at the rink, their waistslines should be looking a little trimmer with all the exercise they're getting. Incidentally, new members are welcome, if any of you mothers or housewives are interested in slimming down the ol' waistlines.

The amateur competitive skaters of the Riverside Skating Club are preparing for a travel fund drive. The club has a very strong field of skaters this year, several took top honors in an invitational championship held recently in New York City. If these skaters qualify through the State and New England Championships coming up in May and June, they will have won themselves the dream of all amateur skaters — that of skating in the North American Championships held each year in the latter par of July. If they qualify this year, they will be needing a lot of that green folding money in order to represent their home club, rink and town of Agawam in the North American Championships, that will be held WAY OUT in Portland, Oregon.

We hope these skaters can reach their quota, so we can all be proud to have this strong team representing us at this large championship of over 1500 of the world's best skaters . . . GOOD LUCK TEAM!



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PROMENADERS



By Teddy and Eddie Moriarty

Hoe-Down

The Promenaders next square dance will be on Friday at the Robinson Park School. A dance that club members are looking forward too — a real hoe-down rocket special called by none other than club caller Dick Steele from Lexington, Mass.

All club dancers are invited to join the Promenaders for this dance that will start at 8 p.m. . . . You won't want to miss a minute. Refreshments will be served. Chairmen are Herb and Ruth Litchfield.

Last Saturday

The last Intermediate Dance was attended by 100 square dancers that seemed sad to think that it was the last dance of this type for the season. Dana caught the spirit of the dancers and delighted in calling teacup-chains, catch all eights, etc.—But you will see more of Dana Blood at our club in April.

Glad Your Better

Ray Bourbonnais just returned to his home, 128 Channel Dr., Monday, from the Mercy Hospital. Hope your recovery will be soon complete and we will see both you and Ellie back dancing.

EDSARDA

Members interested will find registration cards available at the Friday dance for the 5th. EDSARDA Square Dance Festival which will be held in Chicopee and West Springfield this year on Saturday, March 30th. Thirty-three callers are signed and dancing will be from 12 noon to 11 p.m.

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LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

by Virginia Catchepaugh

Juniors and Sons of Legion

Juniors and S.A.L. met with their Chairmen, Mrs. Gladys Belcher and Mr. Tom Whalen at the Legion Hall on Sunday, March 10th. The girls voted for their favorite T.V. show on the Junior Jury ballots and made shamrocks for the Irish Night supper. Badges of their office were presented to the S.A.L. officers. Following their separate meetings the boys and girls on the drill team practiced under their drillmaster, Mr. Bob Frenette.

The Juniors next meeting will be held on Sunday, April 10th at the Legion Hall. They are making a study of Americanism and are asked to prepare some of the following: an essay on "What Americanism Means to Me," booklets on the American flag, or a flag poem. Monson hospital is another of their projects—they are mak-

ing puzzles at home for these children. At the next meeting they will start doll cradles and are asked to bring whatever of the following equipment they can: shoe boxes, straight clothes pins, spools, large jar covers.

Wednesday, March 13th, a group of Auxiliary Volunteer workers helped with the patients at Leeds Hospital. Attending from Agawam Unit were Mrs. Jane Whalen, Mrs. Belle Russell, and Mrs. Anna Bissonnette.

The next meeting of the Unit will be held on April 1st at the Legion Home—no fooling!

The Past President's Parley will meet at the Touraine Hotel in Boston, April 6th, at 3 p.m. Dinner reservations must be in by April 1st.

RECEIVES GRANT

Mr. David Skolnick, Guidance Director at Agawam High School announces that Francis Howard O'Leary, a junior at Agawam High School, has been given a scholarship grant for advance summer study at New York University taking a course in Engineering Computing.

Mr. O'Leary will learn how to operate and work with all types of electronic computing equipment.

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Regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held March 14th at the home of President Robert Watson, Jr.

In addition to those club members already working on the YMCA "Antique and Junque" drive, the Board urged all the members to co-operate wholeheartedly to insure the success of this venture. Contact Joe Pisano and he will pick up your donation.

The annual Father-Son night was held last evening at the Senior High School Cafeteria, and the production put on by Sargeant Vincent Gray and his Springfield Auxiliary Police Judo team was enjoyed by all, as was the entertainment for the youngsters.

May 25th is the date for the annual Ladies Night.

On April 27th at the Chalet in West Springfield, a testimonial will be tendered to District Governor Stanley Cronk of Granby, and many members from Agawam will attend.

Last week 986 pair of Eyeglasses were shipped and the Club wishes to thank the townspeople who made this project such a success, also many thanks to those merchants who had collection barrels in their stores: Food Mart, Edwards Pharmacy, Feeding Hills Pharmacy, and the Agawam Center Pharmacy.

VWWI CARD PARTY WINNERS

The third game of the present series of Whist Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held in the National Guard Armory on Maynard Street last Wednesday evening. The winners of the door prizes were: Mary Tryon, Florence Sheenrock, Ed Burton and Thelma White.

Mystern prizes were awarded to Ed Lancour, Harry Belden and Flora Daucette. Ace prizes were won by Grace Lancour for he ladies and Clarence Edwards for the men.

The following play prizes were awarded: Ladies — 1st Thelma White; 2nd Marie Considine; 3rd Maude Clark and consolation, Addie Winn . . . Men — 1st Walter Haggerty; 2nd George Pierce; 3rd Clarence Edwards and consolation, Ray Willard.

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My Beat — A.H.S.

by Marsha Della-Giustina

The Future Teachers' Club attended a FTA Conference last Saturday at Whitman Hanson Regional High School. The girls attended various workshops pertaining to club organization, club programming, and teaching. The speaker was Clara Coughlan who told the fascinating story of Nigeria's development. Miss Emily McCormick, the club's advisor, and the following delegates attended the conference with the West Side FTA: Susan Leger, Louise Canarella, Christine Jeserki, Cynthia Stakum, Helen Lonetto, Ann Graziano, and Mary Wilson.

O'Leary Wins

Francis O'Leary, a junior, has been awarded a 9 week summer scholarship to NYU. O'Leary was one of the 20 students chosen from the many applicants. He will study engineering computing at NYU. Congrats Fran!

"Birdie" A Success

Congratulations go to the cast, stage crew, and band for their fine presentation of "Bye, Bye, Birdie" last week-end. Even though Linda Barufaldi stole the show with her terrific performance her fellow actors and actresses came through with flying colors. Along with Jim Donovan, Gale Cote, John Litchfield, Lesley Cole, Gary Cole, the stage chorus, teen-agers and adults, deserve praise!

Coming events: Model Congress convenes tomorrow... Good luck delegates... Junior Class party tomorrow night!... The Senior One-Act goes to the semi-finals Saturday... Good luck

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